

**An Intellectual Asset Protocol for
Defining Data Exchange Rules and Formats for Universal
Intellectual Asset Documents, and Systems, Methods, and
Computer Program Products Related to Same**

Abstract

An intellectual asset protocol for defining data exchange rules and formats for universal intellectual asset data objects, and systems, methods, and computer program products related to same. The system includes an intellectual asset protocol system that acts as an engine in the definition of data exchange rules and formats for universal intellectual asset documents. Also included is a front end system that preferably provides a graphical user interface to enable users to access the intellectual asset protocol system. In addition, an intellectual asset database is included that stores collections of intellectual asset objects (and information related to same), one or more embodiments of an intellectual asset protocol, and so forth. The intellectual asset protocol system interacts with an Intellectual Property Asset Manager (IPAM) server.

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